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To: Eaton, Tish K - KEC-4

Subject: Libby to Troy rebuild of power lines project...public comments

I've reviewed the Environmental Impact Report of July 2007 and would like to offer my response to the various plans and proposals. As a property owner in the Bighorn Terrace area whose property most closely would be impacted by tower 20/10; I am very concerned with the potential impacts upon the future use of my property as a location for the home we will live in after our retirement. Since we intend to build in 2009 (late) and your project will occur in 2007-2008, the impacts of the construction process are of less concern than the eventual effects upon our land that might occur within sight of our back windows (or even close by our home, if an access road is put through our property). Expansion of the rear right-of-way (under the 230 volt option) is very troublesome as this might remove most of the trees that grow between where the rear of our house will be and the mountain behind our property. Our view would be severely impacted by this. It would be easy to cast our vote for the "no action alternative" but I think a much better solution for us would be the Quartz Creek Realignment option. We acknowledge that this project likely needs to be done (especially as the line that fell and started a fire in 2003 was right at the rear of our lot!). However, moving the lines to the other side of the mountain will eliminate the need for the rear right-of-way OR the access road to reach structure 20/10 and have the benefit of giving us back the 50 foot section at the rear of our property. Careful examination of the impacts and options available do not seem to render the Quartz Creek Realignment unworkable. Each item reviewed and listed makes me more certain that the Quartz Creek option is the best one for not only us...but for almost every one of the property owners on the North side of Kootenai River Road. I hope this can work for both Bonneville Power and those of us most likely to be adversely impacted. Thank you.

Sincerely; Paul and Patricia Mammano